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PHASE GROWTH APPARATUS ) March 28, 2002

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In support of Applicants' claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, enclosed is  
a certified copy of the following foreign application:

JAPAN 2000-402289, filed December 28, 2000.

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